CHAPTER 298.

RAILROAD COMMISSIONERS.

S. J. R. 11.

JOINT RESOLUTION authorizing the Board of Railroad Commissioners of the State of Iowa to expend a sum not exceeding \$500.00 in presenting testimony to the Newland's Railroad Investigating Committee.

WHEREAS, at the end of this biennial period, there will be a balance of the appropriation made by the 36th general assembly to enable the railroad commissioners to investigate and prosecute interstate and intrastate cases and service in excess of \$2000.

AND WHEREAS, under the joint resolution of congress, the interstate commerce committee of the Senate and the committee on interstate and foreign commerce of the House of Representatives are now investigating the subject of government control and regulation of interstate and foreign transportation, the incorporation or control of the incorporation of carriers, also the subject of government ownership of all public utilities such as telephone, wireless, cable, telephone, express companies, and railroads engaged in interstate and foreign commerce with instructions to report as to the wisdom or feasibility of government ownership of such utilities;

AND WHEREAS, others of the states are now, through their proper officers, preparing showings to be made to said joint committee and it is desirable that said committees shall be presented with all available information on the subject. No appropriation has heretofore been made by this state for that purpose, and a fund should now be provided.

THEREFORE, be it resolved that the board of railroad commissioners of the state of Iowa be and it is hereby authorized and empowered to expend for the purposes above set forth, a sum not exceeding \$500.00 of the appropriation of the 36th general assembly made for the purpose of investigating and prosecuting interstate and intrastate cases and service.

Approved April 23, A. D. 1917.

CHAPTER 299.

PLEDGE OF RESOURCES OF THE STATE TO THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES IN THE WAR WITH THE IMPERIAL GOVERNMENT OF GERMANY.

S. J. R. 12.

WHEREAS the Congress of the United States has by resolution declared that a state of war exists between the United States and the Imperial German Government, therefore be it

RESOLVED by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Thirty-seventh General Assembly of Iowa, that for the purpose of assisting in carrying on the war and bringing the conflict to a successful termination,

all the resources of the state of Iowa are hereby pledged to the government of the United States of America; and,

RESOLVED that an engrossed copy hereof be transmitted to the President of the United States, the President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives, of the Congress of the United States.

Approved April 23, A. D. 1917.

CHAPTER 300.

ACCEPTANCE OF FEDERAL ACT FOR THE PROMOTION OF VOCATIONAL EDUCATION.

H. F. 446.

AN ACT to accept the requirements and benefits of an act of congress approved the twenty-third day of February, nineteen hundred seventeen, relating to appropriations to the states for instruction in agriculture, the trades and industries and for the preparation of teachers of vocational subjects; and to provide for the proper custody and administration of funds received by the state for such appropriations.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

- SECTION 1. Provisions of federal act accepted. That the provisions of the act of congress, enacted by the sixty-fifth congress at the second session thereof, entitled an "Act to provide for the promotion of vocational education; to provide for cooperation with the states in the promotion of such education in agriculture and the trades and industries; to provide for cooperation with the states in the preparation of teachers of vocational subjects; and to appropriate money and regulate its expenditure", and approved February 23, 1917, be and the same is hereby accepted.
- 1 SEC. 2. Same. That the benefits of all funds appropriated under 2 the provisions of such act are hereby accepted as provided in such act.
- SEC. 3. Managing board. That the state board for vocational education is hereby designated as the state board as provided in such act, is charged with the duty and responsibility of cooperating with the federal board for vocational education in the administration of such act; and is given all power necessary to such cooperation.
- SEC. 4. Salary and expenses. That such state board is hereby authorized to make such expenditures for the salaries of assistants and for such office and other expenses as such state board may deem necessary to the proper administration of the funds allotted to the state of Iowa under the provisions of such act.
- SEC. 5. Custodian of funds. That the state treasurer is appointed as custodian of funds for vocational education, as provided in such act; and is charged with the duty and responsibility of receiving and providing for the proper custody and for the proper disbursements on vouchers drawn by such state board, of moneys paid to the state from the appropriations made under the provisions of such act.